House Resolution No. 4267

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are proud and pleased to recognize marriage as one of the cornerstones of a vibrant and healthy society; and

Whereas, the members feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize Missouri couples who have enjoyed the benefits marriage offers; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Burton Wesley and Robbie Davidson Smith, of Montgomery City, Missouri, who observed their seventieth wedding anniversary on August 30, 2008, at a special celebration held at the home of their granddaughter and her husband, Lisa and Kevin Racic, of Collinsville, Illinois, surrounded by family and friends; and

Whereas, Burton Smith took the hand of his beautiful bride, Robbie Davidson See, during a solemn ceremony held on September 1, 1938, at the First Baptist Church in St. Charles, Missouri; and

Whereas, beginning as a teller and retiring as the Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, Burton Smith gave his professional career to the Bank of Wellsville, Missouri, a career spanning thirty-eight years; and

Whereas, a nurse, Robbie Smith worked for Audrain Medical Center, Columbia Orthopedic Group, and Dr. Leonard Davis before retiring; and

Whereas, the couple were active members of the Wellsville Baptist Church for many years, and today are active member of the Montgomery City Baptist Church; and

Whereas, Burton and Robbie Smith has been blessed with a wonderful family whose members include five children, Roberta Lee Smith Odom, Burton Sanders Smith, the late Victoria Jean Smith, the late Deborah Clara Smith, and Barbara Gale Smith Prindible; five grandchildren, Cheryl Furuseth, Lisa Racic, Melanie Gooch, Russell Smith, and Adam Smith; eleven great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Burton and Robbie Smith on the illustrious occasion of their seventieth wedding anniversary, with our very best wishes for many more happy years together; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Burton Welsey and Robbie D. Smith.

| Offered by | |
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| | Representative Mike Sutherland |
| | District No. 99 |

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4267, adopted October 1, 2008.